MINUTES

MONTANA SENATE
59th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON NATURAL RESOURCES

00:00:00
Call to Order: By **SEN. KEN TOOLE**, on March 7, 2005 at 3:00 P.M.,
    in Room 405 Capitol.

ROLL CALL

Members Present:
    Sen. Glenn Roush, Chairman (D)
    Sen. Aubyn Curtiss (R)
    Sen. Kelly Gebhardt (R)
    Sen. Dan Harrington (D)
    Sen. Greg Lind (D)
    Sen. Gary L. Perry (R)
    Sen. Bill Tash (R)
    Sen. Ken Toole (D)

Members Excused: None.

Members Absent: None.

Staff Present: Peg Holwick, Committee Secretary, Audio Technician
                Krista Lee Evans, Legislative Branch

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provide a list of participants and a record of official action taken by
the committee. The link to the audio recording of the meeting is
available on the Legislative Branch website.

Committee Business Summary:
    Hearing & Date Posted: HB 370, 3/2/2005
        Executive Action: SB 336 (started, then suspended)

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 336

00:01:30
Motion: SEN. WHEAT moved that SB 336 DO PASS.

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Motion: SEN. WHEAT moved that SB 336 AMENDMENTS DO PASS.

00:07:28
Discussion:

00:08:58
Motion/Vote: SEN. WHEAT moved that SB 336 DO PASS AS AMENDED. Motion carried 8-1 by voice vote with SEN. ROUSH voting no by PROXY.

00:09:13
Discussion:

00:10:35
SEN. WHEAT withdrew his motion for DO PASS and Executive Action on SB 336 was suspended.

00:10:35 Break.
00:27:40 Resume.

HEARING ON HB 370

00:27:40
Opening Statement by Sponsor:

SEN. MICHAEL WHEAT, SD 32, BOZEMAN opened for **REP. DAVE GALLIK (D), HD 79,** opened the hearing on **HB 370,** Revise strip and underground mine reclamation act.

Proponents' Testimony:

00:29:31   **Neil Harrington, Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ)**
00:36:45   **Bud Clinch, Montana Coal Council**

Opponents' Testimony: None.

Informational Testimony: None.

00:37:53
Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:43:23
<u>Closing by Sponsor</u>:

00:44:15

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 3:00 P.M.

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SEN. GLENN ROUSH, Chairman

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PEG HOLWICK, Secretary

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Additional Exhibits:

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